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SUBJECT: GOV. OF BRAZIL SEEKS TO EXTEND SPACE AGREEMENT WITH AN
EXCHANGE OF NOTES

¶1. The U.S. signed an agreement with the Government of Brazil on "Cooperation in the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space" on March 1, 1996. According to Post documents, the agreement went into force July 9, 1997 for a period of 10 years. It can be extended by an exchange of notes.

¶2. Maria Teresa Pessoa of the Brazilian Foreign Ministry has indicated the Government of Brazil's willingness to extend this agreement with an exchange of notes. Post seeks Department's guidance on whether the U.S. is willing to extend this agreement with a simple exchange of notes.

¶3. Post has copies of the 1996 agreement and the 1997 dip note prepared that entered it into force available for transmission. To request a copy of this document by fax or email, contact Scientific Affairs Assistant Daisy B. da Costa at costadbd@state.gov

¶4. Please advise on whether an exchange of notes will be acceptable and what date is the legal deadline for renewing this agreement.

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